

Shapley Ross House
Moscow Mills
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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

SHAPLEY ROSS HOUSE

~~COMMONWEALTH HOUSE BUILDING~~

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Location: Moscow Mills, Lincoln County, Missouri

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Built in 1830s by slave labor. The original portion of this stone house contains four large rooms and two halls, with an adjoining 1860 addition. Original stairway and chair rail. The cut-out foliage decoration along the outer edge of the steps is unusual for Missouri (See, the stairway in the Governor John Woods House [HABS No. IL-188] and in the Nicholas Burkhardt House [HABS No. MO-243]). The design of the woodwork throughout the older portion of the house, as was common in Missouri at this time, shows the influence of the Adam design. All of the mantel and cupboards feature detailing similar to those found in other Missouri buildings of this period.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp and in 1986 by Deborah Fulton, HABS historians. A master list is available in the ~~MO-1800~~ records for MO-1800.